Sewer repair work to begin on Stirling Road in Madison Twp.

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Lake County commissioners agreed Thursday to seek \$48,000 in Ohio Public Works Commission funding to help repair a sanitary sewer on Stirling Road in Madison Township after it was damaged Jan. 21 by a township snowplow.

County Sanitary Engineer Al Saari said the initial application looks to secure 40 percent of the project funding.

Two sections of sanitary sewer were damaged on Stirling, north of Chapel Road,

The weight from the snowplow collapsed a section of the road and the sanitary sewer below it, Saari said.

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days later, another section of road collapsed under the weight of that vehicle, he said.

Since then, that area of road has been closed except to handle local traffic, Saari said.

Regardless of whether the OPWC funding request is granted, commissioners said the repair was an emergency and needed to be done.

So commissioners approved a resolution to begin the work using Perry Townshipbased contractor D.B. Bentley, which submitted the lowest quote out of four contractors, Saari said.

"It probably will take about one and onehalf to two weeks," he said. "It will start sometime late next week."

The project is estimated to cost about \$120,000 in total and Saari said any money A jet truck went to the scene to help awarded by the state would be used to offset